

Town of  
**GROTON**  
Vermont



*The Glover Homestead*

ANNUAL REPORT  
1979





## TOWN OFFICERS

For the Year 1979

Moderator ..... Richard Montague  
Town Clerk ..... Ida Dennis

Term expires 1981  
Town Treasurer ..... Betty Morse

Term expires 1981

### Selectmen:

*May 4*  
☒ Austin Welch *yes* ..... Term expires 1980  
Michael Blair ..... Term expires 1981  
Armond McGennis — resigned ..... Term expires 1982  
Raymond Page appointed to serve until Town Meeting.

### Listers:

☒ Elizabeth Smith ..... Term expires 1980  
Stanley Hart ..... Term expires 1981  
Lynn Bandy ..... Term expires 1982

### Auditors:

☒ Dolores Hamlett ..... Term expires 1980  
Betty Dolson ..... Term expires 1981  
James Comley ..... Term expires 1982

### Road Commissioner:

*Welch* Ralph Hatch ..... Term expires 1980

### Union School #21 Directors from Groton:

*Zambon* Deane Page ..... Term expires 1980  
Janet Puffer ..... Term expires 1981  
Sally Blair ..... Term expires 1982

### Library Trustees:

Theresa Vance ..... Term expires 1980  
Betty Dolson ..... Term expires 1981  
Kathleen Peterson ..... Term expires 1982  
Sally Blair ..... Term expires 1983  
Ruth Putnam ..... Term expires 1984

Tax Collector & 1st Constable ..... Harold Miller

2nd Constable ..... Lyman Blanchard

Town Grand Juror ..... Elmer Frost

Town Agent ..... Elmer Frost

## TREASURER'S REPORT — GENERAL FUND

### Receipts

Cash, January 1, 1979 .....	\$ 13,637.87
Harold Miller, Tax Collector, collections:	
Total .....	\$292,036.10
School Tax .....	173,791.81
General Fund .....	118,244.29
Cemetery monies, from Trust Funds, care of lots .....	1,957.86
Cemetery monies, from Individuals, care of lots	
for 1977 .....	\$ 8.00
for 1978 .....	43.00
for 1979 .....	232.00
	<hr/> 283.00
Citizens Sav. Bank & Trust Co., stock dividends .....	125.00
Town Clerk, Dog License Tax .....	698.00
1st and 2nd Class Beverage Licenses .....	300.00
Social Security on Fees .....	88.26
Community Hall:	
Received on Smoke Damage	
Claim .....	\$ 1,825.00
Hall Rent .....	165.00
Cleaning Deposit .....	100.00
	<hr/> 2,090.00
State of Vt. Qtrly Highway payments .....	19,476.07
Reimbursements:	
State of Vermont:	
Litter Levy .....	\$ 65.38
Forest & Parks-Pack	
Pumps .....	50.00
	<hr/> \$ 115.38
Town of Ryegate, Fire Phone '79 .....	162.00
Ritchie Agency, Ins. Rebates ....	167.00
R. Moulton, Old school windows .....	35.00
Topsham Tel. Co., Grand	
List Copy .....	38.34
Central Vt. Hospital, Checklist	
Copy .....	1.50



Mullen for Senate, Checklist Copy .....	1.50	
Duranleau Const. Co., Grader Rent .....	50.00	
Nat'l Bank of Newbury, 1 day interest/note .....	4.55	
B. Downing, Poundkeeper Fee ..	20.00	
Credit Checking Acct. for stamp	1.78	
Zoning Board, Replace bad check	10.00	
		<u>607.05</u>
Transfer from Revenue Sharing Fund .....	19,167.20	
Transfer from Anti-Recession Fund .....	1,720.52	
Nat'l. Bank of Newbury, Borrowed monies .....	159,140.00	
Transfer from School Acct. #26812 ..\$	80,000.00	
	6,000.00	
		<u>86,000.00</u>
Transfer from Historical Acct. #26827:		
Established 7-5-79 \$2,000 rec'd from Society		
Closed 10-2-79 26.65 interest earned .....	2,026.65	
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Total Receipts .....	\$425,561.77	

#### Disbursements

Total of Selectmen's Orders .....	\$419,347.58
Balance in Checking Acct.	
Nat'l Bank of Newbury 12-31-79 .....	6,214.19
	<u>\$425,561.77</u>

BETTY MORSE,

Treasurer

## REPORT OF SELECTMEN

### Expenditures

#### Notes:

National Bank of Newbury:	
Town Notes .....	\$ 75,000.00
*Groton Historical Society .....	2,000.00
*Fire Truck & Grader .....	7,564.00
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	\$ 84,564.00

#### Interest:

National Bank of Newbury .....	4,422.12
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#### Wages, Social Security & Retirement:

Ida Dennis .....	\$ 4,000.00
Betty Morse .....	1,373.50
Austin Welch, 78-79 \$250,	
79-80 125 .....	375.00
Michael Blair .....	250.00
Armand McGennis .....	125.00
Raymond Page .....	325.00
Elizabeth Smith .....	285.00
Mileage .....	27.00
Social Security .....	2,019.15
Vt. Misc. Employees Retire. ....	228.48
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	9,008.13

#### Insurance:

Ritchie Agency, Town Prop. ....	\$ 4,364.00
Howard Bank, Unemp. Ins. ....	147.83
Fidelity Casualty Ins.	
Workman's Comp. Ins. ....	335.00
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	4,846.83

#### Elections:

Richard Montague .....	\$ 15.00
Jeannine Hart .....	10.00
Elizabeth Smith .....	10.00
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	35.00

#### Auditing:

Betty Dolson .....	\$ 21.00
James Comley .....	30.00
Dolores Hamlett .....	6.00
Ross McLeod .....	72.00
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	129.00



Listing:

Elizabeth Smith .....	\$ 702.00	
Stanley Hart .....	496.35	
Arlynn Bandy .....	322.15	
Daytown — Data Processing ....	428.05	
Mileage, Phone, supplies & pstg. ....	134.48	
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		2,083.03

Town Office Expense .....	1,810.77
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Cemetery Expense:

Leverett Welch .....	\$ 570.00	
Randy Welch .....	1,039.50	
David Moody .....	70.50	
Misc. Expense — Supp., etc. ....	237.84	
Allen Gandin — Corner Stones ..	120.00	
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		\$ 2,037.84

Town Landfill:

R. Farquaharson .....	\$ 2,000.00	
*R. Farquaharson .....	80.00	
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		2,080.00

Close Town Landfill:

Equipment — R. Hatch .....	\$ 2,382.00	
Labor .....	610.00	
Materials .....	176.98	
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		3,168.98

Powers-Leete Landfill:

*July - December .....	1,787.50
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Community Building:

Walter E. Jock Oil Co. ....	\$ 2,375.26	
Green Mountain Power Corp. ....	280.83	
James Hood .....	418.18	
F. Gordon — Cleaning .....	37.50	
Return Cleaning Deposit & Misc. ....	105.21	
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		3,216.98

Fire Department:

Walter E. Jock Oil Co. ....	\$ 1,131.53	
Continental Telephone:		
Fire Phone .....	\$ 324.02	
Dept. Phone .....	258.02	
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		582.04
Green Mountain Power Corp. ....	187.33	
Capital Mutual Aid .....	35.00	

Twin State Fireman's Assoc. ....	300.00	
Vt. State Firefighters Assoc. ....	68.00	
Groton Vol. Fire Dept. ....	1,032.00	
Bill's Garage .....	1,169.90	
White's General Store .....	327.39	
Middlesex Fire Equip. Co. ....	186.90	
Elmer Frost, Contr. ....	427.48	
David G. Deane — Equip. ....	205.42	
W. S. Darley & Co. ....	307.87	
Misc. ....	488.50	
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		6,449.36
Professional Services:		
Otterman & Allen .....		20.00
Street Lights, Garage, & Beacon:		
Green Mountain Power Corp. ....\$	1,988.25	
Washington Elec. Co-op. ....	138.54	
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		2,126.79
Union School District #21 .....		210,140.00
Annual Expense & Assessments:		
*Marvin Kendall, M. D. ....\$	1,200.00	
*S. Brown — Swimming Lessons .....	200.00	
H. Miller — Tax Collector .....	2,920.36	
Cal. Home Health Care Agency .....	600.00	
*Groton Free Public Library .....	800.00	
Vermont Extention Service ....	669.00	
*B M U School Band .....	150.00	
County Tax .....	730.43	
Vt. League of Cities & Towns ..	178.00	
*Cottage Hosp. Vol. Amb. Service .....	500.00	
N V D A .....	150.00	
*Groton Fire Dept. — Hydrant ..	295.70	
*J. Marotti — Binding Town .....		
Books .....	992.00	
* E. Frost, Contr. — Office .....		
improvements .....	486.74	
*Office Equipment .....	658.86	
*Stone Rake .....	2,200.00	
*Cemetery Tractor & Cart .....	2,198.00	
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		14,929.09
* Indicates General Fund Reimbursement by Revenue Sharing, Anti-Recession or Other Funds.		
Miscellaneous Expenses:		
Bal. on Cemetery Tractor .....	\$	71.31



S. Brown — Bal. on Swimming Lessons .....	25.00	
Groton Methodist Church Elec. Town Clock .....	100.00	
Town Officers Meeting .....	48.00	
Copy of State Land Hearing .....	3.20	
Tax Collector — Postage .....	81.00	
VLCT — Town Officers .....	80.00	
Richard Brooks — Parts & Labor on Town Clock .....	101.86	
Joseph Marotti — Town Clerk Supplies .....	67.00	
Dog Keep & Damage .....	398.32	
Due State on T H #50 1978 .....	249.81	
Purchase of State Garage .....	1.00	
Misc. ....	16.00	
		<hr/> 1,242.50
		<hr/> \$354,097.92

#### Winter Roads

##### Equipment Rental:

Ralph Hatch .....	\$ 12,748.00	
Herbert Hatch .....	560.00	
		<hr/> \$ 13,308.00

##### Labor:

Ralph Hatch .....	\$ 1,976.00	
Brent Hatch .....	3,831.00	
Herbert Hatch .....	2,274.00	
Scott Palmer .....	860.00	
Roger Chaffee .....	1,224.00	
		<hr/> 10,165.00

##### Materials:

International Salt .....	\$ 630.25	
Morton Salt Co. ....	1,372.29	
Miscellaneous .....	3.32	
		<hr/> 2,005.86

##### Sander, Grader & Plow Parts:

Woodsville Auto Supply .....	\$ 264.37	
Tetreault Salvage .....	202.15	
Inter State Equipment .....	560.91	
State Equipment .....	110.47	
White's General Store .....	256.68	
Hill-Martin .....	396.37	

Lubrication Engineers .....	289.76	
Miscellaneous .....	81.17	
		<u>2,161.88</u>
Total Winter Roads .....		\$ 27,640.74

### Summer Roads

#### Equipment Rental:

Ralph Hatch .....	\$ 7,126.00	
H. Hart .....	160.00	
		<u>7,286.00</u>

#### Labor:

Ralph Hatch .....	\$ 1,188.00	
Herbert Hatch .....	2,184.00	
Brent Hatch .....	2,256.00	
Leslie Bixby .....	64.00	
Roger Chaffee .....	256.00	
Scott Palmer .....	160.00	
		<u>6,108.00</u>

#### Materials:

Cooley Paving Corp. ....	\$ 70.00	
Johnson Paving Corp. ....	21,752.00	
French Pond Crushing .....	1,312.00	
Town of Newbury .....	180.00	
Miscellaneous .....	39.70	
		<u>23,353.70</u>

#### Grader & Miscellaneous:

Woodsville Auto Supply .....	\$ 16.18	
White's General Store .....	292.91	
Interstate Equipment .....	75.00	
Pierson's, Inc. ....	21.10	
Miller's Store .....	74.57	
Groton Garage .....	13.63	
State Equipment .....	153.52	
Hill-Martin .....	214.31	
		<u>861.22</u>

Total Summer Roads .....	\$ 37,608.92
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## SUMMARY OF SELECTMEN'S EXPENDITURES

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Selectmen's Orders .....	\$354,097.92
Winter Roads .....	27,640.74
Summer Roads .....	37,608.92
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TOTAL EXPENDITURES — 1979 .....	\$419,347.58

AUSTIN WELCH,  
MICHAEL BLAIR,  
RAYMOND PAGE,  
Selectmen

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## REVENUE SHARING FUND ACCOUNT

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Cash in Wells River Sav. Bank Acct. #23994, 1-1-79 .....	\$ 21,315.60
Cash in Revenue Sharing Checking Acct. in Nat'l. Bank of Newbury, 1-1-79 .....	1.61
Received from U. S. Treasury in 1979 .....	16,962.00
Interest rec'd on Acct. #23994 from Wells River Savings Bank in 1979 .....	1,394.60
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Total Funds Available .....	\$ 39,673.81

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## Disbursements

### To the Town of Groton Gen'l. Fund:

Groton Free Public Library .....	\$ 200.00
Marvin Kendall, M. D. ....	1,200.00
Interstate Equip., stone rake ....	2,200.00
Bob's Small Motors, cemetery equipment .....	2,198.00
Joseph J. Marotti, rebinding records .....	992.00

### Nat'l Bank of Newbury:

bal. grader note .....	3,350.00
on fire truck note .....	4,214.00
Cottage Hosp. Vol. Amb. Service	500.00

### Blue Mountain Union School Band:

Fall Foliage Day .....	150.00
Groton Swimming Program .....	200.00
Conference Room (1978) .....	1,800.00

### Landfill:

Powers-Leete .....	\$ 1,787.50
R. Farquharson .....	80.00
	<hr/> 1,867.50
Fire Dept., hydrant .....	295.70

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\$ 19,167.20

National Bank of Newbury, Checkbook ..... 1.61

Balance of Funds Available ..... 20,505.00

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\$ 39,673.81

### Bal. in Wells River Savings Bank:

Acct. #23994 12-31-79 .....\$ 20,505.00

### Bal. in checking account in

Nat'l Bank of Newbury 12-31-79 ..... 1.61

Funds Available .....\$ 20,506.61



## GENERAL FUND BUDGET — 1979

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Interest .....	\$ 4,000.00
Salaries and Social Security .....	7,500.00
Summer Roads .....	12,000.00
Winter Roads .....	29,000.00
Village Sidewalks .....	1,000.00
Fire Department .....	4,500.00
Legal Services .....	250.00
Elections .....	100.00
Cemetery .....	700.00
Vermont Extension Service .....	671.00
Listing .....	1,500.00
Library .....	400.00
Tax Collections .....	3,200.00
County Tax .....	1,000.00
Printing and Mailing Town Reports .....	600.00
Auditing .....	200.00
Town Office Expense .....	1,200.00
Insurance and Bonds .....	3,600.00
Town Clock and Repairs .....	200.00
Community Building Heat and Upkeep .....	2,600.00
Street Lights .....	2,200.00
Vermont League of Cities and Towns .....	200.00
Landfill .....	2,000.00
Unforeseen Expense .....	1,000.00
	\$ 79,621.00

### Additions Voted on Town Meeting Day '79:

Northeastern Vermont Development .....	\$ 150.00
Caledonia Home Health Care Agency .....	600.00
Necessary sum to be set by Selectmen for Treasurers Salary .....	2,500.00
Necessary amount for salt shed purchase from the State .....	1.00
	\$ 82,872.00

## REVENUE SHARING FUNDS — Budget 1979

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Funds Available .....	\$ 20,412.00
Fire Truck Note .....	\$ 4,214.00
Grader Note .....	3,350.00
Conference Room .....	1,800.00
Dr. Kendall .....	2,400.00
Band for Fall Foliage Day .....	150.00
Rebinding Town Books .....	1,000.00
Swimming Program .....	200.00
Cottage Hospital Volunteer Ambulance Service .....	500.00
Landfill .....	2,200.00
Cemetery Equipment .....	2,398.00
Stone Rake .....	2,200.00
	<hr/> \$ 20,412.00

## ANTI-RECESSION FUNDS — Budget 1979

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Funds available for 1979 .....	\$ 1,648.83
Town Office Repair and Equipment .....	1,648.83



## GENERAL FUND

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### Recommended Budget for 1980

Interest .....	\$ 5,000.00
Salaries and Social Security .....	12,750.00
Summer Roads .....	15,000.00
Winter Roads .....	29,000.00
Fire Department .....	6,500.00
Legal Services .....	250.00
Elections .....	300.00
Cemetery .....	1,000.00
Vermont Extension Service .....	670.00
Listing .....	2,700.00
Library .....	400.00
Tax Collections .....	3,200.00
County Tax .....	750.00
Printing and Mailing Town Reports .....	700.00
Auditing .....	200.00
Town Office Expense .....	2,000.00
Insurance and Bonds .....	5,000.00
Town Clock and Repairs .....	200.00
Comm. Building Heat and Upkeep ....	4,500.00
Street Lights .....	2,200.00
Vermont League of Cities and Towns .....	200.00
Landfill .....	3,575.00
Unforeseen Expense .....	2,500.00
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	\$ 98,595.00

## REVENUE SHARING FUNDS — Proposed Budget 1980

Available Funds .....\$ 19,500.00

Rolling Shelves (Vault) .....	\$ 1,200.00
Ramp & Canopy (Comm. Bldg.) ....	2,200.00
Restoration of town books .....	1,000.00
Fire Hydrant .....	1,000.00
Cemetery Tool Shed (14 x 20) .....	1,200.00
*Pave Fire Station Yard and	5,436.00
Basketball Court area .....	856.00
*Other needed Comm. Bldg. imp's. ....	733.00
Firemen's uniforms .....	500.00
Town Garage improvements .....	3,500.00
Swimming Program .....	225.00
Band (Fall Foliage) .....	150.00
Groton Free Public Library .....	1,000.00
Ambulance Service .....	500.00
	<u>\$ 19,500.00</u>

\* or to be applied toward purchase of new town truck if  
so voted at March 1980 Town Meeting.

## FINANCIAL STATEMENT

### Liabilities

National Bank of Newbury:	
General .....	\$157,915.00
Note for Town History .....	2,500.00
	<u>\$160,415.00</u>

### Assets

Cash; National Bank of Newbury checking Acct. \$	6,214.19
250 shares Class B stock; Citizens National Bank	250.00
Due on tax bills .....	29,066.46
Revenue Sharing Trust Fund; Wells River	
Savings Bank, account #23994 .....	20,506.61
Anticipated Revenue Sharing for last quarter ....	3,708.00
Due from State of Vermont Highways .....	4,000.00
Due from Groton Historical Society .....	2,500.00
Certificates of Deposit .....	87,500.00
	<u>\$153,745.26</u>



## LIST OF TOWN PROPERTY

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Town Vault .....	\$ 2,500.00
Community Building .....	75,000.00
Office Equipment .....	1,500.00
Fire Station .....	35,000.00
Fire Trucks and Equipment .....	50,000.00
Town Garages .....	7,500.00
Grader .....	12,000.00
Sander .....	1,500.00
Snow Plows .....	1,500.00
Stone Rake .....	2,000.00
Cemetery Care Equipment .....	2,500.00

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## ABSTRACT OF GRAND LIST

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Total appraised value of taxable real estate ....	\$ 6,142,805.00
Total appraised value of taxable personal estate .....	\$ 104,674.00
Total appraised valuation .....	\$ 6,247,479.00
One percent (1%) of total valuation .....	62,474.79
Grand List of Town .....	\$ 62,474.79
Tax assessed @ \$4.70 on the dollar .....	\$ 293,632.05

## REPORT OF DOG LICENSES ISSUED — 1979

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55 Spayed Fem. and Neutered Males @ \$4.00	\$ 220.00
57 Males @ \$6.00	342.00
22 Females @ \$8.00	176.00
<b>Late:</b>	
7 Spayed Females @ \$6.00	42.00
14 Males @ \$9.00	126.00
7 Females @ \$12.00	84.00
1 Male (after Oct. 1 — 1½)	3.00
6 under Kennel License	30.00
Total amount received	\$ 1,023.00

**Town Clerk's Fees:**

162 @ \$2.00, 1 @ \$1.00	\$ 325.00
Paid to Treas. of Town of Groton	698.00
	\$ 1,023.00

Dogs four months of age and over must be licensed on or before April 1, 1980. Dog must have had Rabies shot within 27 months and a certificate filed at Town Clerk's office. A dog four months or older obtained after April 1st, or a dog that becomes four months old after April 1st, must be licensed within ten days.

### Dog License Fees

Neutered male	\$ 4.00
Spayed Female	4.00
Male	6.00
Female	8.00

IDA DENNIS,  
Town Clerk

# GROTON OLD CEMETERY REPORT

Bank Books	Bank	Interest not		Fund	Care	Balance
		Withdrawn				
1 Merchants Nat. Bk. ....	\$	\$	84.17	\$	4.17	\$ 80.00
4 Caledonia Nat. Bk. ....		24.10	1,016.97		27.46	1,013.61
1 Granite Sav. Bk. & Tr. ....			105.25		5.25	100.00
2 Howard Nat. Bk. & Tr. ....			271.23		13.52	257.71
1 First Nat. Bank .....			105.18		5.18	100.00
2 Passumpsic Sav. Bk. ....		15.26	3,138.18		151.52	3,051.92
12 Woodsville Guaran. Sav. ....		14.54	2,407.60		113.61	2,308.53
3 Burl. Sav. Bank .....			373.52		19.58	354.47
1 Littleton Sav. Bank .....			211.18		11.18	200.00
14 Citizens Sav. Bk. & Tr. ....			3,111.42		154.14	2,957.28
3 First Vt. Bank .....			462.16		23.21	438.95
146 Wells Riv. Sav Bk. ....		45.58	26,410.40		1,333.57	25,122.41
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	\$	99.48	\$ 37,747.26	\$ 1,862.39	\$	35,984.88
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Mary J. R. Ricker & Taisey Trust Citizens Saving Bank .....	\$					95.47
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Total monies from trust fund care of lots .....	\$					1,957.86
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Total monies from individual care of lots:						
1977 — \$8.00, 1978 — \$43.00, 1979 — \$203.00 .....						283.00
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Total monies received .....	\$					2,240.86
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## GROTON NEW CEMETERY FUND

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Certificate of Savings #74001035, 12-21-79 .....	\$ 10,659.87
Cash in Wells River Savings Bank	
account #19373 1-1-79 .....	\$ 727.71
Deposited for lots sold .....	485.00
Interest .....	48.45
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	1,261.16
Total Funds .....	<hr/>
	\$ 11,921.03

## ANTI-RECESSION FUNDS

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Cash in Wells River Savings Bank	
Acct. #25817 1-1-79 .....	\$ 1,648.83
Interest received on savings	
Acct. #25817 for 1979 .....	71.69
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Total Funds Available .....	\$ 1,720.52

## Disbursements

### To Town of Groton General Fund:

Office Equipment .....	\$ 237.35
Groton Free Public Library .....	200.00
Office Equipment .....	421.51
Office Improvements .....	486.74
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	1,345.60
Balance of Funds in Acct. #25817 .....	<hr/>
	\$ 374.92
Transferred to General Acct. for further	
Office Improvements & Equipment 12-12-79 .....	374.92
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Account closed 12-12-79 .....	\$ .....

## GROTON ZONING BOARD

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Cash in Wells River Savings Bank		
Acct. #24601 1-1-79 .....	\$	241.06
Interest received on Savings Acct. 1979 .....		13.23
Balance of Funds Available 12-31-79 .....	\$	254.29

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## NOTICE

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Out-of-town taxpayers may pick up their Annual Town Reports at the Town Clerk's office in Groton.

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## TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

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	Charged	Collected	Abated	Balance
1979 ....	\$293,632.05	\$272,796.02	\$ 600.61	\$ 20,235.42
1978 ....	26,174.46	17,573.13		8,601.33
1977 ....	3,062.03	2,429.72	402.60	229.71
1976 ....	957.65	701.15	256.50	
1975 ....				
1974 ....	459.17	459.17		
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	\$324,285.36	\$293,959.19	\$ 1,259.71	\$ 29,066.46
	Interest .....	1,212.30		
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		\$295,171.49		

## DELINQUENT TAXES

1977 Batchelder, Ernest .....	\$	146.01	
Hart, Russell & Mildred .....		83.70	
		<hr/>	\$ 229.71
1978 Batchelder, Ernest .....	\$	57.93	
Conti, Richard .....		12.71	
Darling, John & Donna .....		267.68	
Hart, William and Sandra .....		82.71	
Hatch, Dale .....		746.30	
Hatch, Douglas .....		174.43	
Paskus, Charles and Kathleen .....		518.23	
Pierce, Gerald and Victoria .....		217.67	
Ricker, Milton .....		6,031.84	
Tabor, Donald and Madelyn .....		151.43	
		<hr/>	\$ 8,260.93
1978 Poll Taxes:			
Austin, Ray .....	\$	9.20	
Bailey, Bruce .....		9.20	
Buchanan, George .....		9.20	
Buchanan, Marilyn .....		9.20	
Carpenter, Maureen .....		9.20	
Conti, Richard .....		9.20	
Delano, Doreen .....		9.20	
Downing, James .....		9.20	
Downing, Zoa .....		9.20	
Dube, Irene .....		9.20	
Dube, Leonard .....		9.20	
Edwards, Carl .....		9.20	
Fenoff, Barbara .....		9.20	
Fenoff, Bertram .....		9.20	
Fifield, Edwin .....		9.20	
Frost, Vickie .....		9.20	
Greer, Gloria .....		9.20	
Hart, Sandra .....		9.20	
Hart, William .....		9.20	
Hatch, Roger .....		9.20	
Hatch, Patricia .....		9.20	
Miller, Steve .....		9.20	
Pierce, Gerald .....		9.20	
Pierce, Victoria .....		9.20	
Robinson, Kathleen .....		9.20	
Robinson, Charles .....		9.20	
Shanna, Robert .....		9.20	
Shanna, Eleanor .....		9.20	
Shelton, Theresa .....		9.20	



Shepard, Michael .....	9.20	
Shepard, Janette .....	9.20	
Webster, Daniel .....	9.20	
Williams, Anthony .....	9.20	
Williams, Michelle .....	9.20	
Parkus, Charles .....	9.20	
Parkus, Kathleen .....	9.20	
Tabor, Clinton .....	9.20	
	<hr/>	\$ 340.40
1979 Batchelder, Ernest .....	\$ 144.20	
Breymayer, Geraldine .....	222.96	
Church of Christ .....	624.16	
Conti, Richard .....	298.87	
Darling, Donald and Claudette .....	511.57	
Darling, John and Donna .....	380.32	
Don and Bill's Auto Repair .....	70.50	
Downing, James and Zoa .....	342.02	
Fifield, Dale .....	97.71	
Frost, Newell and Beverley .....	371.44	
Gibney, Howard and Helen .....	175.97	
Hart, William and Sandra .....	84.51	
Hatch, Dale .....	468.78	
Hatch, Doug .....	178.22	
Hendry, Darwin and Marian .....	283.88	
J & C Auto Body .....	18.33	
Kaconas, Stanley and Kathleen .....	96.12	
Kerr, Nora .....	93.84	
Larose, David and Melody .....	306.02	
Moody, Dwight and Beverly .....	547.22	
Paskus, Charles and Lindley .....	611.24	
Pierce, Gerald and Victoria .....	222.40	
Ricker, Milton .....	11,802.97	
Robinson, Doris .....	251.41	
Shanna, Robert and Eleanor .....	378.17	
Sheppard, Michael and Janette .....	62.44	
Tabor, Donald and Madelyn .....	463.65	
Taylor, Robert and Hope .....	101.52	
Whitehill, Norman and Virginia .....	499.24	
Wilson, Robert and Jacqueline .....	158.58	
Wright, Ralph .....	367.16	
	<hr/>	\$ 20,235.42
Grand Total .....	<hr/>	\$ 29,066.46

Note: All unpaid taxes are subject to an interest charge of 1% per month.

# GROTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

## Treasurer's Report

Wells River Savings Bank: Account No. 15625:

### Receipts

Cash (January 1, 1979) .....	\$ 1,711.01	
Interest earned .....	87.42	
Sales Rev. (Mr. Glover's Groton) .....	2,105.97	
	<u>          </u>	\$ 3,904.40

### Disbursements

Vermont Sales Tax .....	\$ 174.24	
Town of Groton (repayment) ....	3,000.00	
	<u>          </u>	3,174.24
Balance 12-31-79 .....		<u>          </u> \$ 730.16

National Bank of Newbury: Checking Account No. 0326682:

Beginning Balance: .....	\$ 88.24	
Disbursements:		
Capitol Stationers .....	\$ 12.86	
Postmaster .....	1.96	
Sherwin's .....	.60	
	<u>          </u>	15.45
Balance 12-31-79 .....		<u>          </u> 72.83
Total .....		<u>          </u> \$ 802.99

JAMES COMLEY,  
Treasurer

## LIBRARY REPORT

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Our library has experienced many favorable changes in the past year under the direction of Joan Hill. Mrs. Hill spent hours cataloging our books, filing material, training volunteers and working with other librarians in the State. She attended a workshop regarding reference materials at the Regional Library in St. Johnsbury during the month of May.

Mrs. Ruth Putnam held a story time for interested children in June. Refreshments were served and Mrs. Putnam felt the children enjoyed their time with her. We hope to try this again next summer.

Unfortunately, Mrs. Hill found it necessary to submit her resignation effective November 27th, 1979. We appreciate the time and knowledge she gave our library.

With the help of volunteers, Nora Kerr and Charlene Miller, Mrs. Putnam was able to keep the library open until a replacement was found. Mrs. Mildred Hart has agreed to be our librarian and Elizabeth Patterson will be working as a new volunteer. They hope to have some craft learning sessions for all interested. We also would like to offer a "books on wheels" service for the shut-ins of our community.

We are grateful to the Tabor family for the gifts of a book rack and magazine rack. Armond McGinnis gave the library a sum of money which was used to purchase a much needed filing cabinet.

The library is open twelve hours per week and the hours are as follows:

Tuesday .....	2 — 5 p.m.
Thursday .....	2 — 8 p.m.
Saturday .....	2 — 5 p.m.

Come in and visit your library. We would welcome any suggestions you might make.

Respectfully submitted

SALLY BLAIR,  
Secretary



## LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

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Balance on hand 1-1-79 .....\$ 174.32

### Receipts

From Town .....	\$ 400.00	
From Revenue Sharing Funds .....	400.00	
Sale of books .....	25.00	
Gift from Armond McGennis .....	117.34	
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		\$ 1,116.66

### Disbursements

Salary .....	\$ 385.00	
Books and Supplies .....	245.94	
Postage .....	15.00	
Transportation .....	24.70	
Vermont Historical Society .....	10.00	
Vermont Library Trustees Ass'n .....	2.00	
Equipment, file cabinet .....	132.77	
Social Security .....	21.78	
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Balance on hand December 31, 1979 .....	\$	279.47

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## AUDITORS' REPORT

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We have audited the books of the several Town Officers and to the best of our knowledge and belief, the statements submitted are correct.

JAMES COMLEY,  
DOLORES HAMLETT,  
BETTY DOLSON

# RECORDS OF VITAL STATISTICS

Filed in Town Clerk' Office 1979

## Marriages

Date	Name of Parties	Residence	Place of Marriage
Mar. 16, 1979	Ray W. Austin Patricia M. Williams	Groton, Vt. Barre, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
Mar. 22, 1979	Daniel J. Webster Jacqueline S. Herbert	Groton, Vt. Montpelier, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
Apr. 7, 1979	Jerry R. Isham Suzette M. Beaulieu	Groton, Vt. Groton, Vt.	Wells River, Vt.
May 12, 1979	Lyle W. White Doreen I. Williams	Berlin, Vt. Groton, Vt.	Montpelier, Vt.
May 28, 1979	Michael C. Verrill Bonnie J. Dailey	Eulless, Texas Groton, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
July 7, 1979	Larry M. Sulham Su-Ann J. French	Wells River, Vt. Groton, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
July 20, 1979	Percy L. Crown Connie A. Williams	Groton, Vt. Groton, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
Aug. 11, 1979	Gregg A. Gandin Julie A. Wright	Groton, Vt. South Ryegate, Vt.	Burlington, Vt.

Date	Name of Parties	Residence	Place of Marriage
Sept. 8, 1979	Russ A. Fournier Debra J. Baker	Littleton, N. H. Groton, Vt.	Wells River, Vt.
Sept. 30, 1979	Craig L. Powers Brenda L. Smith	Wells River, Vt. Groton, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
Nov. 3, 1979	John W. McLam Nellie M. White	Topsham, Vt. Groton, Vt.	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
Dec. 22, 1979	Michael A. Welch De-Ann R. Page	Orono, Maine Orono, Maine	Groton, Vt.

Births			Place of Birth
Date	Name	Name of Parents	
Feb. 10, 1979	Gena Marie Lakin	Blenda L. Murphy Charles D. Lakin	Haverhill, N. H.
Feb. 18, 1979	Nathan Jon Lackie	Rose M. Shattuck Frank H. Lackie	Berlin, Vt.
Mar. 19, 1979	Casey Bayley Johnson	Gale L. Edwards Thomas E. Johnson	Haverhill, N. H.
Apr. 2, 1979	Lisa Marie Darling	Donna J. Hendry John H. Darling	Berlin, Vt.
Apr. 4, 1979	Quincy Todd Batchelder	Delores E. Stocker Ernest R. Batchelder	Berlin, Vt.



June 3, 1979	Jennifer Mary Peterson	F	Kathleen M. Blodgett Ronald A. Peterson	Berlin, Vt.
July 5, 1979	John Robert Colbeth	M	Diane E. DeRedon Fred J. Colbeth	St. Johnsbury, Vt.
July 27, 1979	Dane Dillon Murray	M	Donna M. Dillon Joseph N. Murray	Haverhill, N. H.
Sept. 2, 1979	Rachel Christine Perkins	F	Monica D. Tucker Edgar S. Perkins	Berlin, Vt.
Oct. 5, 1979	Maegen Allysum Ackerman	F	Georgia A. Cerando Paul W. Ackermann	Berlin, Vt.
Oct. 23, 1979	Amanda Robin Williams	F	Joann G. Spear Gordon D. Williams	Haverhill, N. H.
Nov. 19, 1979	Christen Janice Emerson	F	Paula J. Lakin Royce M. Emerson	Berlin, Vt.
Dec. 1, 1979	Melissa Kate Page	F	Janice M. Stevenson Frank R. Page	St. Johnsbury, Vt.

## Deaths

Date	Name of Deceased	Age	Place of Death	Residence
Oct. 6, 1979	Ida A. Needham	78	Haverhill, N. H.	Groton, Vt.
Dec. 20, 1979	Derk R. Ruiter	48	Groton, Vt.	Groton, Vt.
Dec. 30, 1979	Orphie B. Edwards	82	Groton, Vt.	Groton, Vt.

## VERMONT DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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### Annual Report to the Citizens of Groton

The established mission of the State Health Department is to protect and promote the health of all Vermonters. In working towards this goal, the Vermont Department of Health has provided directly, or assured the provision of, preventive health services to communities across the state. During 1979, the following services were received by the residents of Groton:

78 elementary school children were examined by a dental hygienist and received personal oral hygiene instruction twice during the school year.

The Dental Program monitored the fluoridation equipment of the Union School Dist. 21.

13 persons received services through the Maternal and Child Health Program.

20 comprehensive health assessments including preventive health guidance were provided at Well Child Conferences.

Comprehensive medical, nutritional, and social services were provided to 7 children through the Children and Youth Project.

62 persons received nutrition education and food supplements through the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infants, and Children (WIC).

28 children underwent medical evaluation and treatment through the Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment Program (EPSDT).

5 women were examined for cervical and breast cancer through the Cervical Cancer Screening Program.

Through the Handicapped Children Program, diagnosis and treatment services for orthopedic, hearing, cardiac, and other conditions were provided to 4 children.

36 immunizations were given in Health Department Clinics.

12 persons received chest x-rays for early detection of lung disease through the Barre, Rutland, or other Health Department chest clinics.

The following services were provided by the Health Department Laboratory in Burlington:

10 blood tests to identify women needing immunization against german measles (rubella) to prevent birth defects,

36 other diagnostic blood tests,

8 bacteriological and viral cultures,

11 tests of individual and municipal water systems to monitor drinking water quality.

Statewide, 247 emergency medical technicians were trained, 344 were recertified and 61 received advanced training; 188,323 doses of vaccine were supplied to private physicians, school nurses, and other health providers; 17 hospitals and 46 nursing homes were inspected and licensed; 1,880 restaurants were inspected ; 4,432 venereal disease office visits and/or treatment were paid for and 745 contacts were traced; material to test 48,770 persons for tuberculosis was distributed to private physicians, public clinics, and schools; 21 x-ray machines were inspected; treatment for 20,144 children was approved and paid for in total or in part by the Tooth Fairy and Denticaid program; and, in conjunction with Planned Parenthood, 13,380 persons received contraceptive counselling and service.

Technical assistance was provided through the office of Local Health Services to your Town Health Officer, William Randall.

Your Town Clerk, Ida Dennis, received support and instruction in the handling of vital records from the division of Public Health Statistics.

Although no Groton residents participated, the following Health Department program is also available to your community:

#### The Child Development Clinic

Your participation in these programs is encouraged. Information about all Health Department services may be obtained by calling our toll free number, 1-800-642-5045, or your local district office in St. Johnsbury. The local office telephone number is 748-2174.

LLOYD F. NOVICK, M.D.,

Commissioner of Health



## CALEDONIA HOME HEALTH CARE AGENCY, Inc.

12 Western Avenue, St. Johnsbury, Vt.

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### Serving Towns of:

BARNET, BURKE, CONCORD, DANVILLE, EAST HAVEN, GRANBY, GREENSBORO, GROTON, GUILD-HALL, HARDWICK, KIRBY, LYNDON, LUNENGURG, MAIDSTONE, NEWARK, PEACHAM, RYEGATE, ST. JOHNSBURY, SHEFFIELD, STANNARD, SUTTON, VICTORY, WALDEN, WATERFORD AND WHEELOCK.

Caledonia Home Health Care Agency, Inc. is a non-profit, charitable organization serving twenty-five towns in the Northeast Kingdom. Our long history of providing quality professional nursing, homemaker/home health aide services, physical therapy, occupational therapy and speech pathology, along with social services to people in their homes dates back to 1968.

These services are supported through funds collected from the patients, Medicare/Medicaid and other health insurances, town appropriations, and donations. No one is denied service because of inability to pay. Frequency of visits depends on need, but can vary from daily visits to once every two weeks.

This is a six-month report, January 1 - June 30, 1979, necessitated by a change in our fiscal year. During this period, the Home Care Program experienced a 50% increase in the number of patients served, with 27% increase in nursing visits. Evening hours, plus twenty-four hour availability of services, are responsible for some of this increase.

Caledonia Home Health Care Agency has always recognized the fact that patients have the right to be cared for in their homes when possible, but we also have tried to assist the community through our Child Health Center, elderly clinics, preschool and prenatal services as well as screening clinics to local businesses.

Innovative programs that demonstrate the worth of the nurse practitioner are being implemented as cooperative efforts, such as the School Nurse Practitioner Program in association with the Caledonia North Supervisory Union and under HURA (Health Department) funding, or the Concord Family Nurse Practitioner Site, funded by the National

Health Service Corps and under the administration of Northern Counties Health Centers.

This year we plan to initiate a Hospice Program with expanded services to the terminally ill at home. We are also initiating some long range planning efforts to better define our goals and priorities.

Our primary purpose, however, will always be to help people help themselves and our primary focus will always be to care for the sick at home, preventing unnecessary institutionalization.

We respectfully ask for your much needed support for the coming year. The appropriation requested is based on the population and our bad debt loss in your town. Our audited annual report including a financial statement is available at our offices for public inspection.

## NORTHEAST KINGDOM MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE, INC.

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The Northeast Kingdom Mental Health Service, Inc., is a non-profit organization, serving the tri-county area of the Northeast Kingdom. It is governed by a local Board of Directors, and monitored by State and Federal authorities. NKMHS provides the twelve elements of service mandated by the National Institute of Mental Health — and more.

**Children's Services**, provides mental health services to families and schools, through consultation, education, counseling, and therapy. Consultation to other health providers and social agencies as well.

**Outpatient & 24-Hour Emergency**, outpatient services include individual, family, and marriage counseling, as well as specialized psychiatric and psychological services. Emergency services are provided around-the-clock.

**Substance Abuse**, provides a full range of counseling, case management, psychiatric, psychological, medical, emergency and residential services to persons with alcohol, and drug problems.

**Consultation & Education**, provides case and program consultation to other agencies, and mental health education to the general public.

**Developmental Disabilities**, provides outreach, evaluation, counseling and residential service to the developmentally disabled, and their families.

**Ver Shire Schools & Shops**, serves the physically and mentally handicapped of all ages, with special emphasis on rehabilitation and special education.

**Services For The Elderly**, provides comprehensive services to elderly persons, and consultation to agencies working with the elderly.

**CETA Program**, provides on-the-job training for handicapped and disadvantaged persons in need of employment.

**Lakeview Lodge**, located in Newport, is a residential center for clients with alcohol problems, and in an integral part of the Substance Abuse Program.

**The Meadows**, located in Troy, provides a transitional



setting for clients from the Vermont State Hospital, and an even greater number of persons from the community.

**Professional Foster-Home Program**, provides intensive training and on-going support, to specialized foster parents who aid in the treatment and management of young people who are high risks for delinquent behavior or emotional problems.

**Diversion Program**, serves youthful first-offenders, as an alternative to the court system.

**Parent-To-Parent Program**, through the use of trained volunteers, this program is designed to give assistance and support in parenting, to young teen-age mothers.

Additional information relative to programs, or fiscal management is available on request.

Your appropriation is essential to the delivery of these programs and services! We trust you perceive them as being worthy of your support.

Thank you.

JOHN CHESTER SMITH, President  
NKMHS Board of Directors

## W A R N I N G

### ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

The inhabitants of the Town of Groton, who are legal voters in Town Meeting are hereby notified and warned to meet at the Community Hall in Groton Village on Tuesday, March 4th, 1980 at 12:30 o'clock in the afternoon to act on the following articles to wit:

- Art. 1. To elect a moderator for the ensuing year.
- Art. 2. To take action on the Town Report as printed.
- Art. 3. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money for the purchase of a Town truck and used loader needed for maintenance of Town Roads.   
\$34000.-
- Art. 4. To elect all necessary Town Officers, and to fix their compensation, and to elect Union District No. 21 School Directors.
- Art. 5. To see if the Town will elect a Road Commissioner as provided in 17 V.S.A. Sec. 2646. (16).
- Art. 6. Will the Town vote to levy an interest charge on all delinquent taxes on real and personal property of 1% per month or fraction thereof from the date due as provided for in 32 V.S.A. Sec. 5136.
- Art. 7. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of taxes and funds due from State sources.
- Art. 8. To vote a sum of money for the Town's share in Union School District No. 21.
- Art. 9. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to acquire by gift or by purchase, land for municipal forest, to promote reforestation, water conservation and good forestry practices.
- Art. 10. Will the Town vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint for a one year term an energy coordinator.
- Art. 11. To see if the Town of Groton will vote to appropriate the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty dollars (\$750.00) to the Caledonia Home Health Care

Agency, Inc. to be used in providing health care services.

- Art. 12. Will the town vote to install and maintain a uniform system of accounting and reporting as established by the Auditor of Accounts under 32 V.S.A. Section 163 (1).
- Art. 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to be applied toward the purchase of diagnostic equipment for Cottage Hospital.
- Art. 14. Shall the Town vote a sum of money not to exceed \$150 to the Northeastern Vermont Development Association for developing, promoting, and publicizing the resources of Caledonia, Essex and Orleans counties in cooperation with the other towns in the three counties?
- Art. 15. Will the Town vote to instruct the Selectmen to apply the Revenue Sharing monies for expenditures as shown in Revenue Sharing Budget.
- Art. 16. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise by taxes to meet expenses and liabilities of the Town, and authorize the Selectmen to set a tax rate sufficient to provide the same.
- Art. 17. To transact any other business proper to come before this meeting.

AUSTIN WELCH,  
MICHAEL BLAIR,  
RAYMOND PAGE,

Selectmen Town of Groton

I hereby certify that the foregoing Warning was recorded before posting.

Attest, IDA DENNIS, Town Clerk



— NOTES —





Mr. & Mrs. Robert Eastman  
Groton, Vt. 05046

